

2010 Family Safety Plan

- Are all stairways free of clutter, well lit, and in good repair?
- Are stairs, railings, and walkways on the outside of the house in good repair? Are there adequate hand rails, supports to improve stability.
- Are there flashlights handy in the bedroom, kitchen, and living area?
- Do you keep an earthquake backpack next to your bed with gloves, shoes, sweater/jacket, pants, snack, water, flashlight?
- Are there smoke alarms on each floor in working order?
 - Do you test your smoke detectors on a regular basis (e.g. once a month)?
 - Change the batteries when daylight savings time changes?
- Is there a light switch at the top and bottom of all stairways?
- Is your water heater securely strapped?
- Is the water temperature of the home safe (between 124-130F)?
- Are storage and work areas kept clean, orderly and fire safe?
- Are your house numbers visible from the street?
- Is your home protected with one (or more) fire extinguishers?
- Do you have a home fire evacuation safety plan?
- Have you conducted a home fire drill in the last 12 months?
- If kids visit the home, is the home truly kid-proof for chemicals and poisons?
- Does the home have an earthquake survival kit?
- Do you have a general neighborhood safety plan? (shared key and emergency contact info with a neighbor, identified a staging area, etc.)
- Do you have an out of town emergency contact?

What is the most likely accident to happen in *your* home?

What have you already done to prevent such an accident from happening?

List 3 things you will do after reading this checklist to prevent an accident from happening in your home?

Some useful internet links include

www.getready.gov

www.ready.gov/america/local/ca.html

www.ready.gov/america/getakit/index.html Emergency Supply kit advice

www.citizencorps.gov/cert/ Community Emergency Response Teams